IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Original) A method of growing a gallium nitride single crystal using a flux comprising at least sodium metal; said method comprising the step of:

growing said gallium nitride single crystal in an atmosphere comprising gas mixture comprising nitrogen gas under a total pressure of 300 atms or higher and 2000 atms or lower.

- 2. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said atmosphere has a nitrogen partial pressure of 100 atms or higher and 2000 atms or lower.
- 3. (Currently Amended) The method of elaims claim 1 or 2, wherein said crystal is grown at a temperature of 900°C or higher and 1500° or lower.
- 4. (Currently Amended) The method of elaims claim 1 or 2, wherein said crystal is grown at a temperature of 950°C or higher and 1200°C or lower.
- 5. (Currently Amended) The method of <u>claim 1</u> any one of claims 1 to 4, further comprising the step of elevating a crucible containing said flux so that a seed crystal contacts said flux.
- 6. (Currently Amended) The method of <u>claim 1</u> any one of claims 1 to 5, wherein said gallium nitride single crystal is grown using a system for hot isostatic press.
- 7. (Currently Amended) Gallium nitride single crystal grown by the method of claim 1 any one of claims 1 to 6.